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Remarks

The Examiner allowed Claims 19, 23, and 33 in the Office Action dated June 13, 2000. Applicants have canceled all other pending claims in this Application without prejudice to further prosecute these canceled claims in a continuation application. Thus, allowable claims 19, 23, and 33 remain in the application and additional claims 44 through 69 are added to the application. Claims 44 through 69 originally depended from the genus claims rejected by the Examiner. These claims were objected to in the June 13, 2000 Office Action without further comment. Applicants have done nothing more than change the dependency of these pending claims such that they depend from Claims 19, 23, or 33 which are directed to the Val<sup>8</sup>-GLP-1(7-37)OH species.

Failure to comply with 37 C.F.R. 1.821 through 1.825

The Examiner indicated that the sequence listing submitted by Applicants contains errors. Thus, Applicant have included a corrected sequence listing.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §112(1)

The Examiner rejected Claims 41-43 for failure to comply with the written description requirement of 35 U.S.C. §112(1). This rejection is now moot in light of the cancellation of these claims which will be prosecuted in a continuation application.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102

The Examiner rejected Claim 1 as anticipated under 35 U.S.C. §102. This rejection is now moot in light of the cancellation of this claim which will be prosecuted in a continuation application.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103

The Examiner rejected Claims 1, 18, 21, 22, 31, and 41-43

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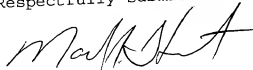
as obvious. This rejection is now moot in light of the cancellation of these claims which will be prosecuted in a continuation application.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully assert that the Application is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner has allowed Claims 19, 23, and 33 which are still included without amendment in this Application. All other claims have been cancelled. Claims that were objected to by the Examiner now depend from the allowed claims and are presented as Claims 44 through 69.

If, for any reason, the Examiner feels that a telephone conversation with Applicants' Attorney would be helpful in expediting the prosecution of this case, the Examiner is urged to call Applicants' Attorney at (317) 276-0280.

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